

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN GAY ANN MASOLO**, on March 2, 1999 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 312 - 1 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Gay Ann Masolo, Chairman (R)
Rep. Bob Lawson, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Linda McCulloch, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Joan Andersen (R)
Rep. Tom Facey (D)
Rep. Daniel Fuchs (R)
Rep. Kathleen Galvin-Halcro (D)
Rep. Kim Gillan (D)
Rep. Sam Kitzenberg (R)
Rep. Monica Lindeen (D)
Rep. Jeff Mangan (D)
Rep. Joe McKenney (R)
Rep. Mark Noennig (R)
Rep. Bill Rehbein (R)
Rep. Allan Walters (R)
Rep. Diana Wyatt (D)

Members Excused: Rep. John L. Holden (R)
Rep. Sam Rose (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Connie Erickson, Legislative Branch
Linda Scott, Committee Secretary

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing Dated: SB 134, 3/2/1999; SB 246,
3/2/1999; SB 31, 3/2/1999;
SB 69, 3/2/1999
Executive Action: SB 246; SB 31; SB 134

HEARING ON SB 134

Opening Statement by Sponsor: Sen. Dale Mahlum

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 10 - 49}

Proponents' Testimony:

Lance Melton, M.S.B.A.

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Gail Grey, O.P.I.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 67 - 73}

Eric Feaver, M.E.A./M.F.T.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 75 - 77}

Lynn Hayden

EXHIBIT(edh47a01)

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 79 - 85}

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 90 - 153}

Closing by Sponsor:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 155 - 171}

HEARING ON SB 246

Opening Statement by Sponsor: Sen. Dale Mahlum

EXHIBIT(edh47a02)

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 176 - 204}

Proponents' Testimony:

Lance Melton, M.S.B.A.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 210 - 255}

Bob Vogel, M.S.B.A.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 257 - 274}

Eric Feaver, M.E.A./M.F.T.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 276 - 278}

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 286 - 409}

Closing by Sponsor:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 411 - 433}

HEARING ON SB 31

Opening Statement by Sponsor: Sen. Spook Stang

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 460 - 514}

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 515 - 517}

Proponents' Testimony:

Kathy Fabiano, O.P.I.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 520 - 588}

EXHIBIT (edh47a03)

Glenn Hageman, Sheridan, Schools

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 592 - 598}

EXHIBIT (edh47a04)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 603 - 610}

HEARING ON SB 69

Opening Statement by Sponsor: Sen. Spook Stang

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 614 - 658}

Proponents' Testimony:

Kathy Fabiano, O.P.I.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 660 - 694}

Linda Brennan, M.A.S.B.O.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 697 - 699}

Don Waldron, M.R.E.A.

(Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 701 - 704)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 714 - 832}

Closing by Sponsor:

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 836 - 843}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 246

Motion: REP. FUCHS moved SB 246.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 4 - 8}

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 11 - 70}

Motion/Vote: REP. LAWSON moved that SB 246 BE CONCURRED IN.

Motion carried unanimously.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 72 - 76}

Discussion and announcement Rep. Peck will carry this bill to House floor and present.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 77 - 88}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 31

Motion: REP. WYATT moved SB 31.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 89 - 90}

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 94 - 161}

Motion/Vote: REP. LAWSON moved that SB 31 BE CONCURRED IN.

Motion carried unanimously.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 163 - 165}

Rep. Galvin-Halcro volunteers to carry bill to House.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 166 - 170}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 134

Motion: REP. ROSE moved SB 134.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 174 - 176}

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 196 - 218}

Motion/Vote: REP. MANGAN moved that SB 134 BE CONCURRED IN.

Motion carried 16-2 with Reps. Rehbein and Wyatt voting no.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 222 - 228}

Motion: REP. NOENNIG MOVED TO RECONSIDER SB 134 AND CLARIFY CERTAIN WORDING IN THE BILL.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 237 - 239}

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 240 - 299}

Motion: REP. NOENNIG MOVES WHAT IS CALLED THE NOENNIG AMENDMENT.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 303 - 315}

Discussion:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 316 - 515}

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 516 - 567}

Motion/Vote: REP. LAWSON moved that SB 134/ NOENNIG AMENDMENT BE ADOPTED. Motion failed 2-16 with Reps. Rehbein and Wyatt voting yes.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Tape Counter : 571 - 594}

Motion/Vote: REP. FACEY moved that SB 134 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. Motion carried 16-2 with Reps. Rehbein and Wyatt voting no.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Tape Counter : 602 - 614}

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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:45 P.M.

REP. GAY ANN MASOLO, Chairman

LINDA SCOTT, Secretary

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EXHIBIT (edh47aad)